THE CUTS to Program Open Space

STOP

The Budget before you includes SIX cuts to Program Open Space

- A \$115 million cut in funds available for programs this year due to a NEW \$37.7 million cut combined with a PLANNED \$77 million cut a 64% reduction
- > A cut of all promised pay-backs from the O'Malley administration
- A cut of the legislated \$90 million pay back from cuts taken during the Ehrlich Administration
- A cut of \$11.8 million recommended by the Board of Public Works in December of 2014
- A \$300,000 cut to Maryland's Heritage Areas
- A 20% reduction in transfer tax revenue due to a slow real estate market

Since the inception of Program Open Space over ONE BILLION dollars have been diverted to other causes.

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